

INFORMATION
OF
SPECIAL INTEREST
OR
IMPORTANCE
TO
MARINERS

NM 27/13

HYDROGRAM

**National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
Springfield, VA 22150-7500**

SPECIAL
ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW PRODUCTS
OR SERVICES

IMPORTANT
CHANGES

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COAST GUARD TERMINATION OF ITS 2 MHZ DISTRESS WATCHKEEPING SERVICE

EFFECTIVE 01 AUGUST, 2013, THE U.S. COAST GUARD WILL TERMINATE ITS RADIO GUARD OF THE INTERNATIONAL VOICE DISTRESS, SAFETY AND CALLING FREQUENCY 2182 KHZ AND THE INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL SELECTIVE CALLING (DSC) DISTRESS AND SAFETY FREQUENCY 2187.5 KHZ. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEE SECTION III.

NEW EDITIONS OF SAILING DIRECTIONS

PUB. 161, SAILING DIRECTIONS (ENROUTE) SOUTH CHINA SEA AND THE GULF OF THAILAND, FOURTEENTH EDITION, 2013 IS AVAILABLE AT THE MARITIME SAFETY WEB SITE. THIS EDITION IS PRODUCED BY NGA IN DIGITAL FORMAT ONLY. SEE SECTIONS II AND III.

NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S IMPLEMENTATION OF A HARDCOPY TO DIGITAL TRANSITION STRATEGY

THIS NOTICE IS A REMINDER OF THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (NGA) HARDCOPY TO DIGITAL TRANSITION PROGRAM. SEE SECTION III FOR DETAILS.